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TITLE OF INVENTION: ROTARY SWITCH

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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2. ☑ The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>11-21</u> .		
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### **DETAILED ACTION**

#### **Priority**

1. Receipt is acknowledged of papers submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d), which papers have been placed of record in the file.

### Allowable Subject Matter

- 2. Claims 11-21 allowed.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 11-21 are allowed because, as noted in the Office action dated March 14, 2008, none of the prior art of record discloses or suggests the combination of:

- (a) activating a first function by a first pushing movement in from a neutral position;
- (b) deactivating the first function by a second pushing movement in from the neutral position;
- (c) activating a second function by a first pulling movement in from the neutral position; and
- (d) deactivating the second function by a second pulling movement out from the neutral position;

In combination with the remaining claimed features.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

## Response to Arguments

4. The rejections of claims 1-3, 9, and 10 are moot in view of the cancellation of those claims.

#### Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hal I. Kaplan whose telephone number is 571-272-8587. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Sherry can be reached on 571-272-2084. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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